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QUESTION

With special reference to your area of study (degree program), investigate current research trends pertaining to digital access and bridging the digital divide between rural and urban areas in Zimbabwe.

As students doing Geographical Information Science and Earth Observation (hgiseo), digital access is the ability to reach to others and access information in different formats using technology while digital divide refers to the gap between regions or places with modern information technologies to those that do no have like rural areas of Zimbawe. Here are some of the trends pertaining to the issue at hand using our area of study.

Spatial analysis

According to Tawanda Musarurwa(2020) Zimbabwe is one the Sub-Sahara African region with rural communal areas that tend to be lagging behind in the adoption of new technologies and slowing down national economic development. due to increased knowledge in information and communication technologies the government has carried out certain survey to locate areas lagging behind through Postal and Telecommunication Regulatory Authority of Zimbabwe(Potraz). The board in partnership with the government has digital hubs in rural areas commonly known as community information centres inorder to foster innovation and the development of new businesses.